

**MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION
NOTICE OF SUBMISSION
FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND 2015 YEAR ONE ACTION PLAN
ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE**

Mobile County Commission as the lead agency of the Mobile County Consortium is required to prepare a Five-Year Consolidated Plan and an Action Plan for each year of the five-year planning period covered by the Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan includes strategies for addressing some of the identified community needs with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME funds, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funds.

A proposed Consolidated Plan covering program years 2015-2019 has been prepared and is available for review by the public. This document is to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and will serve as the required planning document (comprehensive housing affordability strategy and community development plan) of the Mobile County Consortium. It also serves as the basis for applying for annual funding from the HUD Community Planning and Development (CPD) formula grant programs. The CPD formula grants available to the Mobile County Consortium are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

The Year One Action Plan outlines proposed activities to be undertaken with CDBG funds, HOME funds, and ESG funds in 2015. The County will receive the following allocations: CDBG \$1,505,102, HOME \$454,401, and ESG \$140,590. Additionally, unused CDBG funds from previous years of \$253,498 was added to the CDBG budget and \$58,264 in anticipated HOME Program Income was added to the HOME budget.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Public Facilities/Works:

1. Mini-pumper Fire Truck – City of Prichard	\$ 225,000
2. Fire Turn Out Gear – City of Prichard	\$ 40,000
3. Fire Rescue Emergency Equipment - City of Prichard	\$ 13,000
4. Road Improvements – City of Chickasaw	\$ 150,000
5. Community Center Improvements - City of Bayou La Batre	\$ 200,000
6. Upgrade Park Restrooms ADA Compliant – City of Creola	\$ 50,000
7. Sidewalk Improvements – Town of Mount Vernon	\$ 100,580
8. Road Paving – City of Satsuma	\$ 156,000
9. Generator for a Homeless Facility	\$ 100,000
10. Semmes Senior Center Improvements - District 2	\$ 50,000
11. Spot Blight Clearance – District 2	\$ 50,000
12. Community Center Improvements Coden – District 3	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
Total amount allocated to public facilities/works	\$ 1,234,580

Public Services:

13. Homebuyer Counseling	\$ 13,000
14. Prescription Drug Assistance	\$ 10,000
15. Child Abuse Victim Assistance	\$ 30,000
16. Senior Services Activities	\$ 50,000
17. Homeless Prevention Legal Assistance	\$ 45,000
18. Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy	\$ 10,000
19. Rape Victim Service Provider Assistance	\$ 5,000
20. Home Modifications – ADA Compliant	\$ 10,000
21. Summer Youth Program	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
Total amount allocated to public services	\$ 223,000

Planning and Administration:

22. General Program Administration	\$ 291,020
23. Homelessness Planning Activities	\$ 10,000
Total amount allocated to Planning and Administration	\$ 301,020
TOTAL CDBG BUDGET	\$ 1,758,600

2015 HOME Budget

CHDO: Construction of two single family homes	\$ 150,150
Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program	\$ 300,000
Home Inspections	\$ 11,250
Program Administration	\$ 45,440
Program Administration from anticipated Program Income	\$ 5,825
TOTAL HOME BUDGET	\$ 512,665

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT

Emergency Shelter – Essential Services	\$ 10,000
Homelessness Prevention – Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$ 16,470
Homelessness Prevention - Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services	\$ 16,470
Rapid Re-Housing – Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$ 20,264
Rapid Re-Housing – Housing Relocation & Stabilization Services	\$ 31,647
Homeless Information Management System (HMIS)	\$ 35,195
Administration	\$ 10,544
TOTAL ESG BUDGET	\$ 140,590

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Program Year One of the Action Plan begins June 1, 2015. Copies of the Consolidated Plan, the Year One Action Plan, and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice are available for public inspection at various locations within the County. You may review the detailed plans beginning on March 12, 2015 at the following locations: Mobile County Commission 205 Government Street. City Halls in: Bayou La Batre, Chickasaw, Citronelle, Creola, Mount Vernon, Prichard, Saraland, Satsuma, and Semmes. Public Libraries in: Chickasaw, Citronelle, Mount Vernon, Saraland, Bayou La Batre, Prichard, Semmes, Satsuma, and Mobile Main. The Plans are also available on the County's website at www.mobilecountyal.gov, under Grants Department, HUD Entitlement Funds.

A 30-day comment period, which ends at 9:00 a.m. on April 13, 2015, is required prior to the adoption of the Plans and submission to HUD. Comments or suggestions concerning the Plans are to be submitted in writing by 9:00 a.m. on April 13, 2015 to Mr. John Pafenbach, County Administrator, Mobile County Commission, P. O. Box 1443, Mobile, AL 36633. For further information contact the Grants Department at (251) 574-8099.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearings: All public hearings will be held on the ground floor of Mobile Government Plaza at 205 Government Street in Mobile, Alabama. The public hearings will be accessible to all people in attendance. If you have a disability, which may require special materials or assistance for the public hearing, please notify the County at (251) 574-8099 at least 48 working hours prior to the hearing. Mobile County Commission does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, sex, national origin, religion or disabilities and is an equal opportunity employer.

A public hearing will be held on April 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium at the Mobile County Commission regular meeting at Mobile Government Plaza located at 205 Government Street in Mobile, Alabama. Citizen participation concerning the proposed Plans is encouraged. The purpose of this hearing is to encourage citizen participation concerning the 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan, the 2015 Year One Action Plan, and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan, the 2015 Year One Action Plan, and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice will be adopted by the Mobile County Commission for submission to HUD at this meeting.

Spanish translation and/or clarification will be provided upon request. Please call Cathy Burden at (251) 574-8099. La traducción y/o la clarificación Española serán dados si hay solicitud. Llame por favor Cathy Burden (251) 574-8099

Connie Hudson, President
Mobile County Commission

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